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ABSTRACT

The paper attempts to determine thermophysical characteristics
as functions of temperature.

Let us consider a symmetrical body (the treatment for asymmetrical bodies is similar). /22*

Assuming the density ρ of the body to be independent of temperature, and the thermal conductivity λ and heat capacity c to be dependent on the space coordinate and time, the problem can be mathematically formulated as follows

$$\frac{\partial T(N, \tau)}{\partial \tau} = \left(B(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p \right) \left(\frac{\partial^2 T(N, \tau)}{\partial N^2} + \frac{k-1}{N} \frac{\partial T(N, \tau)}{\partial N} \right) + \quad (1)$$

$$+ \left(A(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p \right) \frac{\partial T(N, \tau)}{\partial N} \quad (k = 1, 2, 3),$$

$$T(N, \tau)|_{\tau=0} = T_0, \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial T(N, \tau)}{\partial N} \Big|_{N=0} = 0, \quad (3)$$

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$$\left. \frac{\partial T(N, \tau)}{\partial N} \right|_{N=R} = \frac{q(\tau)}{\lambda(R, \tau)} \quad (4)$$

where

$$\frac{\lambda(N, \tau)}{\rho c(N, \tau)} = B(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p, \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{\lambda(N, \tau)}{\rho c(N, \tau)} = A(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p. \quad (6)$$

In addition, let us assume (this can always be done experimentally) that the temperatures are given at certain points, i.e.,

$$T(N, \tau)|_{N=0} = F_{(0)}(\tau), \quad (7)$$

$$T(N, \tau)|_{N=R/2} = F_{(R/2)}(\tau), \quad (8)$$

$$T(N, \tau)|_{N=R} = F_{(R)}(\tau). \quad (9)$$

From the known functions (7-9) we can readily construct the temperature field. We shall seek it in the form

$$T(N, \tau) = a(\tau)N^3 + b(\tau)N^2 + F_{(0)}(\tau). \quad (10)$$

Using conditions (7-9), we obtain an expression for the temperature field

$$\begin{aligned} T(N, \tau) = \Phi(N, \tau) = & \frac{2}{R^3} (F_{(R)}(\tau) - 4F_{(R/2)}(\tau) + 3F_{(0)}(\tau)) N^3 + \\ & + \frac{1}{R^2} (8F_{(R/2)}(\tau) - F_{(R)}(\tau) - 7F_{(0)}(\tau)) N^2 + F_{(0)}(\tau). \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

From equation (11), we have

$$\frac{\partial T(N, \tau)}{\partial N} = \Phi'_N(N, \tau), \quad (12)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 T(N, \tau)}{\partial N^2} = \Phi''_{NN}(N, \tau). \quad (13)$$

Substituting (12) and (13) into the right-hand part of equation (1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial T(N, \tau)}{\partial \tau} = & \left(B(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p \right) (\Phi''_{NN}(N, \tau) + \bar{\Phi}'_N(N, \tau)) + \\ & + \left(A(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p \right) \Phi'_N(N, \tau), \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where $\bar{\Phi}'_N(N, \tau) = \frac{k-1}{N} \Phi'_N(N, \tau).$

Using boundary conditions (7) and (9), we obtain a system of two equations for determining functions $A(\tau)$ and $B(\tau)$, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} F'_{(0)\tau}(\tau) &= B(\tau) (\Phi''_{NN}(0, \tau) + \bar{\Phi}'_N(0, \tau)), \\ F'_{(R)\tau}(\tau) &= \left(B(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} R^{m-p} \tau^p \right) (\Phi''_{NN}(R, \tau) + \bar{\Phi}'_N(R, \tau)) + \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$$+ \left(A(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} R^{m-p} \tau^p \right) \Phi'_N(R, \tau), \quad (16)$$

whence we have

$$A(\tau) = \Psi_{A_1}(\tau) - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} R^{m-p} \tau^p - \Psi_{A_2} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} R^{m-p} \tau^p, \quad (17)$$

$$B(\tau) = \Psi_{B_1}(\tau), \quad (18)$$

where

$$\Psi_{A_1}(\tau) = \frac{F_{(R)}(\tau)(\Phi_{NN}(0, \tau) + \bar{\Phi}_N(0, \tau)) + F_{(0)}(\tau)(\Phi_{NN}(R, \tau) + \bar{\Phi}_N(R, \tau))}{\Phi_N(R, \tau)(\Phi_{NN}(0, \tau) + \bar{\Phi}_N(0, \tau))}, \quad (19)$$

$$\Psi_{A_2}(\tau) = \frac{\Phi_{NN}(R, \tau) + \bar{\Phi}_N(R, \tau)}{\Phi_N(R, \tau)}, \quad (20)$$

$$\Psi_{B_1}(\tau) = \frac{F_{(0)}(\tau)}{\Phi_{NN}(0, \tau) + \bar{\Phi}_N(0, \tau)}. \quad (21)$$

Substituting the values of functions $A(\tau)$ and $B(\tau)$ into (14) and solving the ordinary differential equation with initial condition (2), we shall have

$$\begin{aligned} T(N, \tau) = T_0 + \int_0^\tau & \left[\left(\Psi_{B_1}(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p \right) (\Phi_{NN}(N, \tau) + \right. \\ & + \bar{\Phi}_N(N, \tau)) + \left(\Psi_{A_1}(\tau) - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} R^{m-p} \tau^p - \Psi_{A_2} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} R^{m-p} \tau^p + \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p \right) \Phi_N(N, \tau) \right] d\tau. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

After integrating, we can represent expression (22) in the form

$$T(N, \tau) = f(N, \tau) - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} \tau^p (R^{m-p} \varphi_{mp}(N, \tau) - N^{m-p} \psi_{mp}(N, \tau)) - \\ - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} \tau^p (R^{m-p} \xi_{mp}(N, \tau) - N^{m-p} \eta_{mp}(N, \tau)). \quad (23)$$

The unknown coefficients will be determined as follows.

We take function $\Phi(N, \tau)$ at point $N = R/2$ at instants of time τ_j ($j = 1, 2, \dots, 2m$) and set it equal to the right-hand part of equation (23) at the corresponding point. We then obtain a system of $2m$ algebraic equations for determining a_{mp} and b_{mp}

$$\sum_{j=1}^{2m} \Phi(R/2, \tau_j) = f(R/2, \tau_j) - \sum_{j=1}^{2m} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} \tau_j^p (R^{m-p} \varphi_{mp}(R/2, \tau_j) - \right. \\ \left. - (R/2)^{m-p} \psi_{mp}(R/2, \tau_j)) + \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} \tau_j^p (R^{m-p} \xi_{mp}(R/2, \tau_j) - (R/2)^{m-p} \eta_{mp}(R/2, \tau_j)) \right]. \quad (24)$$

Substituting the known values of b_{mp} into equation (5) and considering (21), we obtain the value of the thermal diffusivity at point R

$$a(R, \tau) = \frac{F'_{(0)}(\tau)}{\Phi_{NN}(0, \tau) + \Phi_N(0, \tau)} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} R^{m-p} \tau^p. \quad (25)$$

The value of the thermal conductivity will be determined from condition (4) and expression (11)

$$\lambda(R, \tau) = \frac{q(\tau)}{\Phi_N(R, \tau)}. \quad (26)$$

In the case where the value of the thermal flux $q(\tau)$ is unknown, the thermal conductivity coefficient at point R can be determined as follows. From (5) and (6), excluding $\rho c(N, \tau)$, we have

$$\frac{\lambda'_N(N, \tau)}{\lambda(N, \tau)} = \frac{Q(N, \tau)}{P(N, \tau)}. \quad (27)$$

where

$$Q(N, \tau) = A(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} a_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p, \quad (28)$$

$$P(N, \tau) = B(\tau) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} b_{mp} N^{m-p} \tau^p. \quad (29)$$

Let τ_0 be the time lag of the action of the thermal flux at point $N = 0$. Then, integrating (27) with respect to N , for $\tau = \tau_0$ we have

$$\lambda_1(N, \tau_0) = \lambda_0 \exp \left[\int \frac{Q(N, \tau_0)}{P(N, \tau_0)} dN \right], \quad (30)$$

where λ_0 is the thermal conductivity coefficient at the initial temperature and is assumed to be known.

From (30) we can readily obtain the values of λ_1 at point R for $\tau = \tau_0$, i.e.,

$$\lambda_1(R, \tau_0) = \lambda_0 \exp \left[\frac{Q(N, \tau_0)}{P(N, \tau_0)} dN \right] \Big|_{N=R}. \quad (31)$$

The temperature at point $N = 0$, equal to the temperature $T(R, \tau_0)$, will reach (?) at instant τ_1 . Integrating (27) with respect to N , at instant $\tau = \tau_1$ we obtain $\lambda_2(R, \tau_1)$, i.e.,

$$\lambda_2(R, \tau_1) = \lambda_1 \exp \left[\int_{N=R}^0 \frac{Q(N, \tau_1)}{P(N, \tau_1)} dN \right] \quad (32)$$

Continuing, we shall similarly have

$$\lambda_n(R, \tau_{n-1}) = \lambda_{n-1} \exp \left[\int_{N=R}^0 \frac{Q(N, \tau_{n-1})}{P(N, \tau_{n-1})} dN \right] \quad (33)$$

Thus, from (30-33) we can obtain a precise dependence of the thermal conductivity coefficient on the temperature.

As usual, the value of the heat capacity will be

$$c(R, \tau) = \frac{\lambda(R, \tau)}{\rho a(R, \tau)} \quad (34)$$

In order to obtain the dependence of the thermal diffusivity and thermal capacity on the temperature, we break up the time segment $(0, \tau_k)$ into n intervals $\Delta\tau_n$. Taking the values of the thermophysical characteristics at instants τ_n and correspondingly the values of the temperature $\Phi(R, \tau_n)$, we plot the curves which will express their dependence on the temperature.

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